

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. This Amendment amends claims 6, 7 and 13 to correct obvious typographical errors introduced in the previous Amendment. Specifically, claims 6 and 7 are amended to add a semicolon, claim 7 is amended to correct a double occurrence of "the", and claim 13 is amended to delete an extraneous comma. The changes made are editorial in nature. No new matter or new issues are introduced. Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested.

Additionally, **Applicant respectfully requests acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 25, 2003.** A copy of the PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified), together with the a copy of the filing receipt, is attached hereto. The Office Action (paper no. 8) of November 5, 2003 indicated that the IDS from paper no. 7 was attached; however, the initialed IDS form that was received was that from March 6, 2002, rather than paper no. 7. Applicant requests an initialed copy of the August 25, 2003 IDS to confirm that the Examiner has considered the references. The Examiner is requested to either mail or fax a copy of the IDS form to Applicant's undersigned representative at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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